## DATES and PLACES

GREAT FALLS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2006

Best Western Heritage Inn

1700 Fox Farm Road (406) 761-1900

**MISSOULA** 

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2006

Holiday Inn Parkside

200 South Pattee Street

(406) 721-8550

BILLINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2006

**Sheraton Hotel** 

27 North 27th Street

(406) 252-7400

There is no fee for the workshops.

Pre-registration is not required.

Questions?

Call (406) 841-2770

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Montana's Department of Commerce, Department of Environmental Quality, and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, along with the U.S. Department of Agriculture are co-sponsoring an infrastructure planning and financing workshop:

"MONEY"

We Got It You Want It... Come See How To Apply For It

W2ASACT Funding Workshop Spring 2006



Montana Department of Commerce

Is your community planning to construct a public infrastructure project within the next few years that will require a grant or a low interest loan to make the project affordable?

If the answer is yes, you should plan to attend one of the one-day workshops that will inform potential applicants about the various public infrastructure funding programs available, their specific requirements, and how to put together a successful application.

The following funding programs will be providing information at the workshops:

- ♦ Board of Investments **INTERCAP**
- Department of Commerce –
   Community Development Block
   Grant (CDBG) Program
- ◆ Department of Commerce Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP)
- ◆ Department of Environmental Quality
   State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan
   Programs (Water and Wastewater)
- ◆ Department of Natural Resources and Conservation – Renewable Resource Grant and Loan (RRGL) Program
- ♦ U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development (RD), Water and Environmental Programs

Detailed information will be provided at the workshop about how to complete the uniform application form, along with other required information that is common to each of the programs. Representatives from each of the programs will discuss their specific application requirements and application deadlines. They will also be available to provide you with the opportunity to talk one-on-one about your specific projects and funding needs.

## **AGENDA**

8:30 a.m. Overview, Introductions and New W<sub>2</sub>ASACT Video

9:00 a.m. Funding Programs and Application Requirements:

- ➤ Renewable Resource Grant and Loan (RRGL) Program --Grants and Loans
- ➤ Treasure State Endowment
  Program (TSEP) Grants
- ➤ State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Programs – Loans
- ➤ Rural Development (RD)

  Program -- Grants and Loans
- ➤ INTERCAP Program Loans

12:00 a.m. Lunch (on your own)

1:30 p.m. Funding Programs cont.

➤ Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program – Grants

2:15 p.m. Original W<sub>2</sub>ASACT Video

2:30 p.m. Completing the Uniform Application Form

3:45 p.m. Miscellaneous Discussion Topics

**4:15 p.m.** Adjourn

Important – Applications will be due this May for the next round of TSEP and RRGL funding, since the projects funded by the programs require legislative approval and they only accept applications once every two years. You should attend this workshop if you will be applying to either program.

The Department of Commerce will provide an additional workshop on applying to the TSEP and CDBG programs at the Great Northern Development office in Wolf Point (233 Cascade Street) on Thursday, March 9, from 8:30 to 5:00, which will also include information about completing the Uniform Application.

In addition, the CDBG Program will be providing a more in depth discussion of its application requirements on the day following the full day workshops, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, with the exception of Great Falls, which will be on the day before from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

February 21, <u>Hampton Inn</u>, Great Falls

March 3, Holiday Inn, Missoula

March 8, Sheraton Hotel, Billings

Reasonable modifications for persons with disabilities will be made who wish to participate in this workshop. Please advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need at least one week prior to the workshop, by calling 841-2770.